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RECORD OF DEATHS.

Short Sketches of the Lives of Persons Who Have Recently Passed Away.

WILLIAM L. SPADE.

As was noted in the NEWS last week, William L. Spade died at Kimball, Neb., December 2, 1916 of paralysis of the throat, aged 36 years, 5 months and 14 days, his remains were brought home, and interred in the Lutheran cemetery in Buck Valley. He removed to Nebraska about six years ago.

He was a son of John G. and Christina Fischer Spade and on March 15, 1901 he was united in marriage with Miss Della Bedford, of Needmore. To this union were born eight children, namely: Nellie, Carrie, Kenneth, Mary, Loretta, Georgia, Edna William, who with their mother survive.

Besides his immediate family he is survived by his father and mother and the following brothers and sisters: John of Needmore, Charlie and Walter, of Nebraska, Minnie, wife of Vernon Hixson and Barbara, wife of Richard Swisher, both of Hancock, Md., Irene, wife John True of Cumberland, M. S., Harry, Alex, Arlie, Lester and Goldie at home. He was a devoted husband, father and son and will be greatly missed by all.

MRS. M. G. EGOLF.

Mrs. Mary Gelvin Egolf, died Sunday evening, December 10, 1916 at her home near Schellsburg, Bedford county, Pa., aged 64 years, 9 months and 28 days. She is survived by her husband H. P. Egolf and three children: Howard S. Egolf, of Connellsville Pa.; Rush G. Egolf, of Johnstown, Pa., and Miss Alice B. Egolf, at home. A sister, Mrs. Rosa Clark of Burnt Cabins, and a brother, E. M. Gelvin, of Fort Littleton, also survive. She was a woman of unflinching courtesy and of a hospitable disposition and withdrew from life as beautifully as sets the morning star, which goes not down behind the darkened west, nor hides obscured behind the tempest of the sky but melts away into the light of Heaven. Funeral services were held on the following Tuesday afternoon from her late home, conducted by her pastor, Rev. E. A. Snook of the Presbyterian Church of which she was a member. Interment in Schellsburg cemetery.

MRS. A. C. MATHIAS.

Mrs. Alice Gelvin Mathias, wife of A. C. Mathias died Nov. 11, 1916, at her home in Monte Vista, Colo., aged 54 yrs, 2 mos. and 17 days. She is survived by her husband, A. C. Mathias and four children; Elsie, wife of Otto Adams of Ft. Collins, Colo.; Nettie, wife of Ira Christensen of Monte Vista, Colo.; Helen, of Denver, Colo.; and Hilda at home. A sister, Mrs. Rosa Clark, of Burnt Cabins, Pa., and a brother E. M. Gelvin, of Fort Littleton, Pa. She was a kind wife and mother and will be missed by all her friends. Was a member of the Presbyterian church, Monte Vista. Interment in Monte Vista cemetery.

MISS JANE ALLENDER.

Miss Jane Allender was born at Fort Loudon, Pa., May 27, 1837. A few years later her parents removed to Fort Littleton, Pa., and there she grew to womanhood and spent many years of her life. At the age of sixteen she gave her heart to the Savior, and thru all the long years of her journey thru life she followed in his footsteps to the end.

On the 19th day of November, 1916, she passed peacefully away at her home in Rogersville, Tennessee, to which place she had gone from Fort Littleton more than a quarter of a century ago.

JOHN BALTZER STRAIT.

John Baltzer Strait, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Strait, near Pleasant Ridge, died as a result of measles, and was buried at Sideling Hill Christian church last Sunday.

Struck Her Head Against Table.

In addition to the notice given in the NEWS last week, the Bedford Gazette gives the following additional information in reference to the death of Mrs. George Carbaugh (Nora Ritchey) in Bedford last week. "Tripping over a rug in the sitting room of her home on Thomas street, Monday morning, Mrs. George Carbaugh fell, striking the back of her head against a table, inflicting a wound which caused her death a few moments later. Mrs. Carbaugh had not been well for several weeks and it is thought by her physician that she was seized with an attack of heart trouble, causing the fall. She was aged about 25 years and was Miss Nora Ritchey, of near Everett, before her marriage a few years ago to George Carbaugh, a well known young liverman of this place. Besides her husband and a small son Harold, she is survived by her mother.

Farmers' Institutes.

With Chairman Frank Ranck and his able corps of State Workers, the Annual County Institutes are in full swing this week. The work began at Enid Monday afternoon with an attendance of about forty farmers and the attendance and interest increased with each session until two hundred and twenty interested persons were present at the closing session, Tuesday night. The State workers are all specialists in their respective lines, and the work of the entire time is a real feast of good things for the farmer and home maker.

The institute in McConnellsburg opened yesterday afternoon and a session was held last evening. The farmers in this section do not need any coaxing. They have long ago, found out that a Farmers' Institute is a good place to get "something for nothing" and they are on hands from start to finish.

The Lincoln—Penn Way.

The above title is suggested by one of our local motorists to be applied to a cross-country boulevard to connect the Lincoln Highway at McConnellsburg with the William Penn Highway at Mount Union. This is the only practical cross-country route between Harrisburg and Johnstown. It would pass through Shireleysburg, Orbisonia, Shade Gap, Burnt Cabins, Fort Littleton, and Knobsville. The grade is exceptionally fine and the distance only forty miles. It would at once become a thoroughfare for tourists from the northern and western part of the State to reach Gettysburg, Baltimore, Washington and all southern points.

Let everyone interested get busy with the Highway Department and arouse interest along the whole line.

Dr. Skinner Dead.

Very many Fulton County people will learn with real sorrow of the death of Dr. William F. Skinner at his home in Chambersburg, Monday evening of valvular heart trouble. For several years he had been on the medical staff of the Chambersburg hospital, and was a surgeon of rare skill. He was a son of John and Emmeline Skinner, and was born at Dry Run, Franklin County on the 23rd of December, 1867. He was married to Lotta Blanche Skinner, a sister of the late Captain Geo. W. Shinner, who survives together with two daughters.

The longest continuous flight of any bird is made by the golden plover. From Nova Scotia to the coast of South America the entire flight of 2,400 miles is accomplished without pause or rest. The golden plover of the Pacific ocean migrates from Alaska to the Hawaiian Islands. Its flight takes it 2,000 miles across an islandless sea.

A Family Reunion.

A most happy event occurred on last Friday in the home of Mrs. Margaret Kendall and her daughter Miss Ruth in the South Extension of McConnellsburg. All her seven, together with all the grandchildren, save five in Tarkio, Mo., gathered in the home bringing their kindly greetings and cheering good wishes to their aged mother. The company consisted of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Kendall and six children, of Ayr township; Mrs. Emma K. Henderson, of Tarkio, Mo.; Mr. S. Murray Pallock and wife Mary M., of Washington Pa.; Mrs. Laura G. McDowel and five children, near Lemaster, Franklin county, Pa.; Mrs. Annie J. Keefer, of Chambersburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. James H. Kendall and four children of Ayr township, and Miss Ruth I. still in the old home. In all, seven children and fifteen grandchildren. As they sat around the well furnished table of their mother and looking into each other's faces and recalled the happenings of the past 21 years since they similarly met, pleasures were theirs rarely enjoyed. To enhance the pleasures and profit of the occasion the family pastor having been called in, they once more gathered around the old family altar to render due praise and gratitude to the gracious Benefactor of their lives and to invoke His continued care through all the rest of the years.

NEW GRENADA.

Arthur Cunningham, wife and son and Ruth Cunningham and brother Ernest—all of Mount Union visited in the home of N. G. Cunningham's last Sunday.

Ida Booher, of Saltville is employed at K. M. Alloway's.

There will be a Christmas entertainment at Zion M. E. Church Saturday night December 23, 1916.

Roy Shafer is employed at Burnham.

Ida Alloway is very sick at present.

Queen Houck spent the past week at Robertsdale with Byrde McClan.

George Heeter and wife, of Woodvale is home for a few days.

Mrs. Eldon Brodbeck, of Pittcairn came home to spend Christmas.

Mrs. A. D. Keith who has been poorly for a long time with dropsy does not improve as fast as her many friends wish.

C. V. S. N. S. Notes.

The basket ball game between the Technical High School of Harrisburg and the Normal was played here last Saturday evening. The score was 15-20 in favor of the Normal.

Clyde Barnhart of Buck Valley who was back visiting friends at Normal refereed the game. Mr. Barnhart is playing ball in Philadelphia this season.

Both students and faculty are thinking of the Christmas vacation.

The winter term will begin January 2nd.

House Burned.

Monday forenoon Charlie house Reed's tenanted by Walter Feagley, a carpenter, was discovered to be afire and before assistance could be gathered the house and contents were practically destroyed. The only things saved we are informed, was a tub containing fruit an Walter's chest of tools. It is reported that Mr. Feagley had one hundred dollars insurance on the contents of the house. There was no insurance on the house.

Isaac D. Bolinger a former resident of McConnellsburg, but now carrying on business at Shade Gap, Pa., is just convalescing from an attack of typhoid fever that kept him housed since the 20th of October. The Editor "has been there" and sympathizes with Mr. Bolinger.

OUR DISTANT FRIENDS.

Interesting Extracts from Letters Recently Received from Former Fulton County People.

REV. C. W. SUMMEY, Apollo, Pa.—"Enclosed find check for \$2.00 which you will please credit to my subscription on the NEWS. Since I last wrote you my health has very much improved. So much that I was looking forward to making a trip to Fulton County on the new rail road. But in that it seems I will be disappointed. But life is full of disappointments."

MRS. C. A. McCONNELL, LaHarpe, Ill., Dec. 7, 1916:—Enclosed, find one dollar. We welcome the NEWS as we would an old friend. One short year ago this evening, we arrived home from a two months' visit among brothers and sisters and many other relatives and friends in Pennsylvania. We are having lovely fall weather.

MRS. ADAM GRESS, York, Pa.—We are all tolerably well. Uncle George keeps right well. We were sorry to hear of the railroad's going up. We had made up our minds to go across the mountain on the first train. Regards to all.

WILLIAM BUTERBAUGH, Marshallton, Del.—Here's three dollars to push our subscription ahead. We certainly enjoy reading about our good old Fulton County friends. Wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

DR. W. T. GROVE, Eureka, Kans.—We had bad crop failures again, and, "croplly" speaking, we are worse off than in 1913, when one of the greatest droughts within the recollection of the old settlers visited us. Then, we had a surplus, but three years have depleted that materially; but, we hope soon to be an Oil County. Some 20 or 30 rigs are up or under process of construction. Four wells in this county are estimated at 200 to 300 barrels. Our belt seems to run in a n. e. and s. w. direction, and it is about 18 to 20 miles in width. So, if we happen to strike oil good, the corn will take care of itself.

MRS. C. R. STUNKARD, Helena, Mont.—The NEWS is one of the most important papers that comes into our house. We are having fine winter weather. If "A. W. C." of California had a few days of Helena's zero weather it would likely quicken his steps and aid his digestion.

C. H. SPIES, Wall, Pa.—Enclosed find check for two dollars, which it is hoped, will pay my subscription until normal conditions and prices again prevail. The Pittsburgh papers doubled their price without giving any such opportunity as THE FULTON COUNTY NEWS has done.

MARTIN L. PITTMAN, Dayton, O.—I find I cannot get along without the FULTON COUNTY NEWS, so find enclosed three dollars for back subscription and renewal. I always find in it something about friends I would not otherwise hear from, and other news from my old home. I want to say for the benefit of old friends in Fulton County that Job Hill is in very poor health here in Dayton. Fulton County was his old home as well as mine. We are having zero weather but not much snow.

B. FRANK COVALT, Johnstown, Pa., R. R. 1, December 16:—We are having very cold weather. Nine degrees below zero this morning and the roads are badly drifted.

CLARENCE O. BARTON, Forest City, Iowa.—All of the farmers here are thru shucking corn. The crop is a good quality, but not very much of it. I raised about 1600 bushels of corn on the farm I am on. If some of the Fulton county farmers would raise that much, they would think they had some crop, while

Educational Meeting.

The sixth local institute of Ayr township was held at Rock Hill December 15. The questions discussed were: 1. Value of an Education. 2. What Makes a Successful Teacher? Songs and recitations were rendered by the school. Seven teachers: Misses Humbert, McQuade, Pittman and Kendall and Messrs. Alexander, Glazier and Humbert were present.

Next institute will be held at McNaughtons School.—Martha G. Kendall, Secretary.

The third local institute of Licking Creek township was held at Vallances December 15th. The Questions: 1. Schoolroom freedom. 2. How secured and held. 3. Discipline, in school, on the play ground, and to and from school;—were thoroughly discussed by the teachers. C. W. Mel-lott, Wilmer Mason, Thelma Metzler and Daisy Strait of the township; also John Kelso, and Rush Wagner of Todd.

An interesting program was rendered by the school which speaks well for both teacher and pupils. We thank the visiting teachers for the interest taken and invite them back.—Daisy Strait, Secretary.

The second educational meeting of Thompson township, was held at Bald Eagle, Friday evening, December 15th. The schoolroom was tastefully decorated and both teacher and pupils deserve much credit for the literary program rendered. Questions—1. How do you teach spelling? 2. How to secure the maximum of work? 3. How do you teach Physiology. Teachers present were: Thomas Truax, Jessie Yeakel, Oliver Winters and ex-teachers S. L. Simpson and John Simpson. Mr. John Simpson who is now a resident of Washington, Pa., was a teacher in the school of our township, 40 years ago and gave a very interesting talk on the history of our schools, which was much enjoyed by all present.—Jessie Yeakel, Secretary.

Soy Bean A Promising Crop.

Notable progress has been made in bringing about the commercial utilization of the soybean seed for the manufacture of oil, meal, and various more or less complex products, according to the annual report to the Chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry. The soy bean, the report states, is well adapted to the whole cotton belt, and indeed to the whole corn region.

In the cotton belt it promises to be an important element wherever the acreage of cotton has been reduced. The immature bean seeds make a very delicious vegetable and are canned with ease. Inasmuch as soy beans can be more cheaply produced than any other bean seed, it is believed that there is a large field for the canning of green soy beans. Efforts are now being made to canning factories to put the product on the market.

In the growing of the soy bean and in manufacturing products therefrom the United States can successfully compete with the Orient.

Mrs. Nancy McQuade is sick at the home of her daughter Mrs. George Suders, East Lincoln Way.

here it is considered a small crop. Had fine weather for husking except one week and then it was snow.

You will have to get after the Brush Creek writer. He forgets to write every week. I like to see a whole column of Brush Creek news.

Everything is high here. Corn has been selling for 80 cents a bushel; butter 35 cents a pound; creamery butter 45 cents; eggs 35 cents; hogs 9 cents; flour \$2.75 a sack and soup beans 18 cents a pound.

If the person who ate Margaret's pumpkin pies with me, reads this I wish he would send me a card.

Letter to the Editor

Homestead, Pa., Dec. 12
My Dear Mr. Peck:—In extending my subscription for the NEWS, I desire to say that, while not a resident of your County for many years, yet through the columns of your good paper, I have kept fairly well posted concerning your social and business affairs and note with interest your public improvements.

The reconstruction of the old "pike" now the Lincoln Highway, has certainly facilitated travel, besides being of much benefit in general; and should the construction of your proposed railroad be carried to completion as I trust it may, you will have increased advantages for the shipment of your produce. However, while we are mindful of these improvements let us not forget the glad tidings which the good people of your adjoining County, in the State of Maryland conveyed to you through the returns of the recent election.

The voting of John Barleycorn out of business will certainly count in the interest of good, for surely a business that will in no way benefit its patrons, but on the contrary destroy manhood, fosters poverty and crime, is a menace to the public weal and should be denounced by every honorable man and woman. Many of your people, especially in the lower end of the County, do much of their trading in Hancock, hence, it can be readily seen how the presence of a saloon is a source of evil, for example, the individual who is addicted to the drink habit is influenced by the presence of a saloon and usually to the neglect of business the bar-room becomes his retreat; then we have the so-called temperate man and the personal liberty man who frequently find their way into the bar-room that they may indulge their boasted liberty with a social glass and friendly chat, but alas! soon the alcohol has an exhilarating effect and they become possessed of an exalted imagination which usually suggests another drink then the game of the bar-room is on, and many times the would-be good citizen goes home intoxicated, when, but for the bar-room he would have gone home sober.

It has been said: "The saloon is a recruiting station, a training school for the inebriate army," this is doubtless true, then let us strive to eliminate this legalized promoter of intemperance. In this age of activity of strenuous effort there is a growing demand everywhere for greater efficiency; this means men who can see clearly, think quickly and correctly, do their work with safety, with diligence and do it rightly. By scientific investigation and physical test, it is evident that only the sober man can possess these qualities, hence there is no place for the drinking man. Our great railroads will not have him, our manufacturing plants do not want him, our commercial interests reject him, and now since it is well understood that alcohol lessens physical endurance the drinking man has no standing even in the sporting world it is the total abstainer with cool judgment the clear eye and physical endurance that inspires you with confidence on the athletic field.

With our present knowledge of the evil effects of alcohol upon the human system there can be but two reasons why intelligent men should advocate its use as a beverage: they either have learned to like it and would seek an excuse for its use, or else they are interested in the traffic.

A. M. BARTON, M. D.

Mr. J. C. Comer, of Thompson township spent a day or two in McConnellsburg last week on his return from a two weeks' visit among relatives and friends in Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

VENTILATORS.

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene by Samuel G. Dixon, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

The question of proper ventilation during the winter months is one which it is quite difficult for many people to solve.

It is apparent to almost everybody that the admission of pure air is necessary if efficient work is to be performed in office and school and if refreshing sleep is desired by night. The fresh air does not depend upon the temperature and can be supplied by a proper heating and ventilating system.

The opening of windows while it admits the fresh air, often causes drafts which are uncomfortable, not to say injurious. Where a number of people are occupied in a room it is often a cause of subjecting one or two to exposure if the windows are opened to secure ventilation. This can be avoided by an ample supply of warmed air.

Numerous devices, more or less expensive, have been placed on the market but are not always satisfactory. The most economical and at the same time probably the most efficient ventilating device is one made of glass or wood eight or ten inches in height and made the width of the sash. This should be placed under the sash with a slant from the bottom to the top at an angle of 45 degrees, leaving an opening at the top covered with cheese cloth.

Ventilators of this sort are so simple that they can be made at small cost anywhere and the covering can be readily replaced. They are suitable for office and school room, living rooms and bed rooms. They permit reasonable ventilation without too great a loss of heat and prevent that stuffiness of atmosphere which is dangerous to health and destructive to real comfort during the winter months. This device leaves an opening between the upper and lower sash through which the used air of the room may escape.

Why Hens Don't Lay.

Why don't hens lay at this time of the year?

They do, if their owner is on to his job. It is about as natural for a hen to lay in the fall and winter as it is for roses to bloom at the same season.

But the expert poultryman nowadays with his modern methods of breeding, of feeding, of housing and of handling has his hens to lay two hundred or more eggs per year and to lay a goodly number of these in the fall and winter.

Can an ordinary farmer or small poultry keeper get a good fall and winter yield of eggs? He can if he will have a properly built house—not meaning an expensive one, but a house that poultry use and live in and can't be kept out of.

He can if he will feed the modern way or feed all grain in litters; feed bee-scrap, fish scraps or milk—animal protein—heavily feed dry mashes and perhaps wet mashes.

Question like the above are now flooding the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the replies are broadly like the above.

The outstanding feature of most of these letters is the fact that these writers manifestly believe that if they can learn what to feed their hens, they must lay. That feed, good feed, or plenty of feed, will make hens lay is a great if popular fallacy.

The Department wishes to especially emphasize that fecundity and persistency in laying are inherited factors and that usually, if a flock is to lay well it must be out of a flock ahead of it that has laid well. And that this is the factor that means the difference between hens not laying at all and laying well at this season.